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HOW TO INSTALL YOUR AUTOMATIC ICE MAKER

Use These Instructions For Top And Bottom Freezer Refrigerators Only

KEEP ALL PARTS IN THEIR OWN PACK AGE UNTIL USED.

Parts are listed in order of usage. Arrange in order before starting installation.

PART NAME AND NUMBER		NUMBER REQUIRED	USED IN STEP NUMBER
627649	TUBING	1	A1
538532	BRACKETS	2	A4
538533	CLIPS	2	A4
488644	SCREWS	3	2-A4-1-A8
502037	GROMMET	1	A4
627131	ADAPTER PLUG	1	A5
849909	ALUMINUM FILL TUBE	1	A6
835649	GROMMET	1	A6
626456	ICE MAKER	1	A8
939529	ICE BUCKET	1	A9
488649	SCREWS	2	B3
488878	CLAMP	1	C1
841707	TUBE INSERTS	2	1-C1-1-C4
488645	SCREWS	4	1-C1-2-C2-1-C5
488366	CLAMPS	2	C2
627018	NUT AND SLEEVE	1	C4
836200	COPPER TUBING, WITH WASHER AND NUT	1	C5
836074	SLEEVE	1	C5
510716	CLAMP	1	C5

OTHER ITEMS AND TOOLS YOU WILL NEED

The following materials must be obtained locally to connect the water line to Ice Maker.

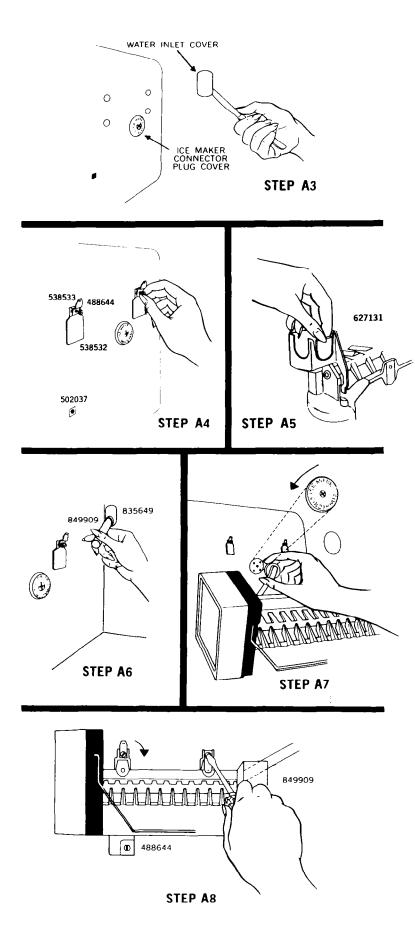
- 1/4" O.D. Copper Tubing-See Step D2 for length
- 1-Shut-off valve-¼" outlet

1-Tube union $-\frac{1}{4}$ " x $\frac{1}{4}$ "

These parts are available from your Whirlpool dealer or local hardware store.

- 5" (overall length) slot head screwdriver
- ¼" spinner wrench
- Two 6" or 8" adjustable open end wrenches
- Sharp knife
- Table knife
- Hacksaw

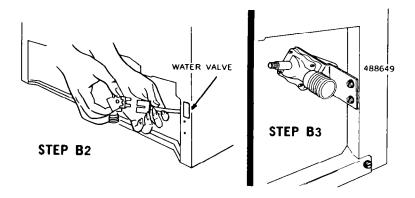
A. CONNECTING ICE MAKER TO FREEZER



- A1. Put tubing (#627649) in pan of hot tap water to soften it. This will make it easier to install.
- A2. Unplug electrical cord from wall.
- A3. With a table knife, pry out all the plastic plugs. Do not remove Ice Maker connector plug cover.
- A4. Insert the 2 brackets (#538532) into the side of the freezer wall. Attach one clip (#538533) and screw (#488644) to each of the two brackets. Leave screw loose. Insert grommet (#502037) into square hole on left wall.
- **A5.** Be sure the sliding adapter plug (#627131) is in the side of the water fill trough as shown.
- A6. Remove (#849909) aluminum fill tube from package. Cut off tube as shown on instructions for top freezer models packed with tube. Slip #849909 up over water inlet tube (factory installed). Make sure that tubes are properly engaged by looking in oblong hole. Move grommet (#835649) up over tube to cover oblong hole.
- **A7.** Remove ICE MAKER CONNECTOR plug cover by inserting screw driver in slot and rotating driver to left. Insert Ice Maker connector into the receptacle under "ICE MAKER CONNECTOR" plug cover.
- **A8.** Attach the Ice Maker to the side of the freezer by inserting screw (#488644) through bracket on bottom front of Ice Maker, and into grommet (#502037). Rotate clips down and tighten screws. Be sure that water fill tube (#849909) is in water fill trough of Ice Maker as shown in A8.

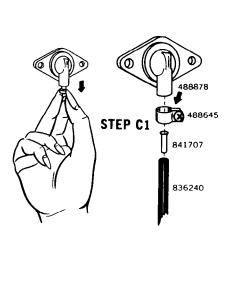
A9. Place ice bucket under Ice Maker.

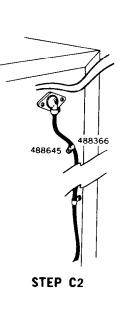
B. INSTALLING WATER VALVE ON LOWER BACK OF CABINET LEG



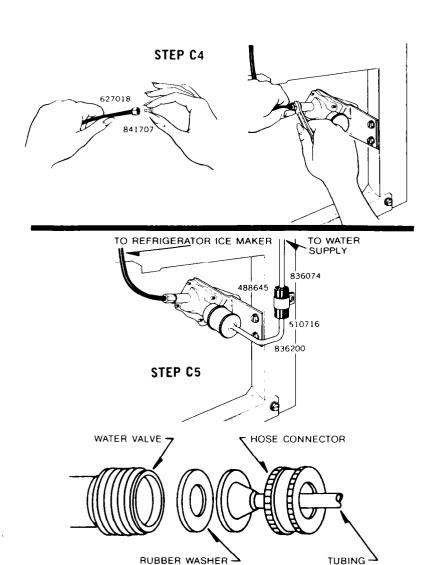
- **B1.** Temporarily remove screws from right end of lower back cover, If present.
- **B2.** Insert water valve into receptacle terminals completely so terminals are not exposed.
- **B3.** Fasten valve to right rear leg of the refrigerator with two screws (#488649).

C. INSTALLING WATER LINE BETWEEN INLET TUBE (top) AND WATER VALVE (bottom)





- C1. Remove plug from factory installed inlet tube on back. Place one clamp (#488878) over the spout. Put tube insert (#841707) in one end of tubing that has been soaking in hot water. Put end of tubing into spout. Tighten clamp with screw (#488645).
- **C2.** Place 2 clamps (#488366) over tubing. Remove two upper sealing screws in back of cabinet and throw away. Anchor clamps to cabinet with screws (#488645). (If lower back cover is not present or on bottom freezer refrigerator, use 1 clamp and 1 screw.)
- **C3.** Be sure that tube is clear of fan. Cut off extra tubing.

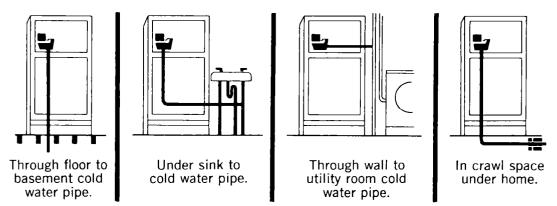


- **C4.** Slide nut and sleeve (#627018) over tubing. Push tube insert (#841707) into end of tubing. Push end of tubing into water valve. Tighten the retaining nut, but do not overtighten.
- **C5.** Attach copper tubing and hose connector (#836200) to water valve. Be sure that rubber washer is in place, and tighten hose connector. Anchor to refrigerator with sleeve (#836074), clamp (#510716) and screw (#488645).

D. CONNECTING ICE MAKER TO WATER SUPPLY

You will need enough ¹/₄-inch O.D. copper tubing to connect refrigerator to water source.

TYPICAL WAYS TO CONNECT TO WATER SUPPLY



CAUTION: Ice Maker tubing should not be installed where temperature may fall below freezing.

- **D1.** Find a %-inch to 1-inch vertical COLD water pipe near the refrigerator. (Horizontal pipe will work . . . but extra precautions must be taken.)
- D2. Measure from inlet on rear of refrigerator to water pipe. Add 7 feet to allow for moving refrigerator for cleaning. This is the length of ¼-inch O.D. copper tubing you will need for the job (length from inlet tube to water pipe PLUS 7 feet). Be sure both ends of copper tubing are cut square.
- **D3.** Turn OFF main water supply. Turn ON nearest faucet long enough to clear line of water.
- **D4. Using a grounded drill,** drill a $\frac{1}{16}$ -inch hole in the vertical cold water pipe you have selected.

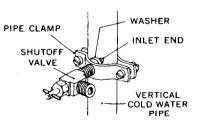
Some water almost always remains in pipes. If it enters the drill, it can cause lethal shock. BE SURE YOUR DRILL IS GROUNDED.

Fasten a separate ground wire from drill to a good ground that complies to local electrical codes. (If in doubt, consult a licensed electrician.) UNLESS PROPER GROUNDING IS FOL-LOWED, YOU ARE NOT PROTECTED AGAINST SEVERE OR LETHAL SHOCK.

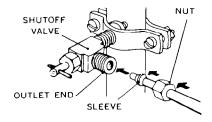
If you must use a horizontal pipe, take extra precautions:

Drill on the top or side of the pipe, not bottom. This helps keep water away from the drill. Also, it keeps normal sediment from collecting in the valve.

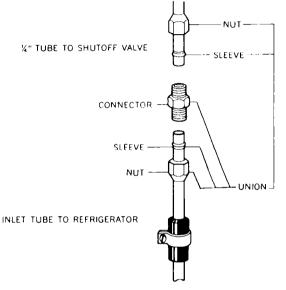
D5. Fasten shutoff valve to cold water pipe with pipe clamp. Be sure *inlet end* is solidly in the ¾₆-inch drilled hole in the water pipe and that washer is under the *pipe clamp*. Tighten packing nut. Tighten the *pipe clamp* screws carefully and evenly so washer makes a watertight connection. Do not overtighten or you may crush copper tubing, especially if soft copper tubing is used. Now you are ready to connect the copper tubing.



D6. Slip compression nut and compression sleeve on copper tubing as shown in diagram. Insert end of tubing into outlet end squarely as far as it will go. Screw compression nut to outlet end with adjustable wrench. Do not overtighten. Turn ON main water supply and flush out tubing until water is clear. Turn OFF shutoff valve on the water pipe. You are now ready to connect other end of ¼-inch copper tubing to inlet tube or water valve on back of refrigerator.



D7. Assemble *compression nuts* on tubing as shown in diagram. Insert ends of tubing into *connector* and tighten *compression nuts*. Be sure ends of tubing are squarely in connector as far as they will go. Do not overtighten.



- **D8.** Turn shutoff valve on. TIGHTEN ANY CONNEC-TIONS OR NUTS THAT LEAK.
- **D9.** REPLACE LOWER BACK COVER PREVIOUSLY REMOVED.
- **D10.** Copper tubing may now be fastened to base-board.
- D11. The Ice Maker is equipped with a built-in water strainer located on the inlet side of the water valve. If local water conditions require periodic cleaning or a well is your source of water supply, a second water strainer should be installed in the ¼-inch water line.
- **D12.** Water Pressure Limitations: Not below (15 P.S.I.) or above (125 P.S.I.). If a problem occurs call your Utility Company.

D13. PLUG IN YOUR REFRIGERATOR.

When you have your first batch of ice you may throw away extra parts.

IMPORTANT:

It may take up to 24 hours for your Ice Maker to begin producing ice crescents.

To enjoy your Ice Maker most PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THE ICE MAKER SECTION OF YOUR USE AND CARE GUIDE.